

MGT 403 Responding to the Functional Needs Populations of Rural America

This eight-hour course is designed to educate participants on the planning efforts needed ensure the safety of those with functional needs, particularly those housed in assisted-living facilities and nursing homes during a crisis event. Because of their restrictions and gaps in community support, rural people with functional needs are at greater risk of injury and death during a crisis event than those living in suburban and urban areas. These people require specialized care, transportation, shelter, and medical needs that must be considered before the crisis occurs. This tuition free course will expose participants to the benefits of developing comprehensive emergency response plans for those most vulnerable during a crisis — the elderly and children, anyone with limited English proficiency, people with disabilities, and anyone from a minority culture.